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IN LESOTHO AND SWAZILAND

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WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT DEEP CUTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE UNDP PROGRAMS IN LESOTHO AND SWAZILAND. DURING AMBASSADOR'S RECENT DISCUSSIONS IN MASERU, PM JONATHAN WONDERED WHETHER COUNTRIES THAT OPPOSED THE U.S. ON MULTILATERAL ISSUES WOULD NOT NOW DERIVE GREATER BENEFIT FROM UN AID PROGRAMS. UNDP SWAZILAND PROGRAM BEING CUT MORE THAN 70 PERCENT, WHICH IS DEEPER THAN FOR ANY COUNTRY IN WORLD. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY EXPLANATION DEPARTMENT AND/OR USUN CAN PROVIDE ON THE CRITERIA USED IN CUTTING UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAMS WORLDWIDE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT PREVAILING UNDP BUDGETARY STRINGENCY.
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